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SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

MARRIAGE.

On April 7th, at the "Bethesda" Chapel, Caine Road, Hongkong, by the Rev. G. H. Bondfield, JOHN WARD, second son of Wm. Powell, Newport, Shropshire, to JULIA, the fourth daughter of Samuel Aston, Dawley, Shropshire, England.

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 1890.

ACTING OFFICIALDOM.

THERE is an old local conundrum—"Why are the Government officials here like a theatrical troupe?"—the answer to which is "Because they are always acting." The sarcasm has especial force in these days, although two or three appointments have been recently filled. To begin with, our Governor—Sir S. W. PEARCE—is away, having gone home a few weeks ago on account of ill-health. His place is occupied by the but newly-arrived Colonial Secretary, Mr. F. FLEMING—occupied, not filled. Mr. FLEMING's office is held by Mr. W. M. DEANE, the head of the Police, who has more than once before performed those duties, but whose claims to the position when it was rendered vacant by the death of Dr. STEWART last year were over-ruled by the system of nepotism in vogue. The Police department is looked after by Major-General GORDON, whose substantive position is that of Superintendent of the Gaol, and whose policy shows that he is very much more qualified to deal with prisoners than to direct the department which gathers them in. In the meantime the Gaol is looked after by Major DEMPSEY, Police Adjutant, whose only qualifications, as far as we can learn, are that he wears spurs by virtue of his rank in the Army Pay Department, and watches the constables drilling when there is no military duty to be done. The laborers cannot be very arduous, for the Drill Inspectorship is left vacant. Chief Inspector HOSKINS is temporarily promoted to the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, during the illness of Mr. WOODHOUSE. With this, excepting for minor positions, we have exhausted the list of situations filled out of the Police Department. Mr. MITCHELL-INNES, though now Acting Registrar-General, in the absence of Mr. STEWART-LOCKHART, is really only Assistant Colonial Secretary. He is supposed to have an assistant to help him to perform all his present functions, but Mr. MAY, the cadet who does that "pidgein," is Assistant Acting Colonial Secretary, which nondescript job includes wearing a tall hat and posing as a sort of glorified valet to the Governor. During the prolonged absence of Sir JAMES RUSSELL, Mr. FIELDING CLARKE, the Police Judge, has been Acting Chief Justice. He has never sat in the former capacity, Mr. WISE, Police Magistrate, officiating instead. In succession to Mr. LEACH, who until the other week was Acting Attorney-General, the Acting Chief Justice's clerk, Mr. HAZELAND, is Acting Clerk of Councils, *vice* Mr. SMITH, who has gone home to qualify as a barrister. Both our Police Magistrates are acting. Mr. WOODHOUSE, the Acting Senior Spondipary, is ill, and Captain RUSSEY, the Harbour Master, is Acting Acting S. S., leaving Commander HASTINGS, R.N., his assistant, to look after the Harbour Department, although that gentleman has hardly been here a fortnight yet. Mr. ROBINSON, a barrister, is the *locum tenens* of Mr. WOODHOUSE's real post, as Junior Spondipary, on half-pay. There was a Government Marine Surveyor and an assistant, but the former, Mr. BREWER, had long been absent when his death occurred some few months ago, and Mr. WAGNER's decease the other day, whilst trying to perform double duty, is still fresh in men's minds. Mr. ANDREW JOHNSON is now temporarily bearing the burden of the two offices.

When, in addition to all this, we recollect that many of our officials are holding plural appointments—that the cares of the offices of Postmaster and Colonial Treasurer—Colonial Secretary and Auditor-General, and so on, are all contained under one hat, when we have to look at the mere strain of physical strength in this exhausting climate, it is often very severe (he referred to only one of the places for which he receives a fat salary) we cannot condemn in too strong terms a system which permits those officials to go away for years—often never returning—draining the public purse, retarding the promotion and increasing the labors of their subordinates, and most important of all, materially affecting the colony's interests. We can't expect to have officials "warranted never to get sick, or to want to go away,"—to quote friend ALAN again—but we do not want a skeleton administration in which an arm is put to do the duty of a leg, and the neck is required to adapt itself to the purposes of an ankle.

THE AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The first annual meeting of the shareholders of the above Company was held at noon on the 8th inst. in the offices, Hongkong Dispensary. Mr. J. D. HUMPHREYS, the General Manager, presided, and there were present—Messrs. E. L. WOODIN, R. K. LEIGH, G. R. STEVENS, Clement Talbot, H. M. MANCELL, Jupp, Chandler, Stapleton, and H. HUMPHREYS, secretary.

The Chairman then added a few words, with the concurrence of his co-directors. He said:—The work is progressing with all possible despatch, and I do not think the cost of the terrace will be in excess of the estimates, although no allowance had been made for interest on money. However, with the exception of one or two matters which could not be foreseen, I think the estimate was a very fair one, and approximately correct. In respect to the Hotel property, the estimate was for a building less than half the size of the one now contemplated. It was not originally intended to cut down the whole of the land, and lay out such large grounds, but we came to the conclusion, when two adjoining lots were put up to auction, that they might possibly be built on in a way detrimental to the Hotel property unless we bought them, and we did so. That carried our property up as far as Umbrella seat. It was then thought desirable to purchase the crown of the hill, so as to give us an outlook over both sides of it, and we have arranged to cut down the estimate to about the level of the hotel roof, and so afford a promenade of about an acre overlooking the Harbor on one side and the L. drone Islands on the other, and so commanding most magnificent views. This will in itself be an attraction—people will come to get a breath of fresh air during the hot summer evenings, and get all the benefit of a change of climate. In cutting the top of the hill we filled up the low-lying land, on the other side of the Hotel, and it appeared desirable, since we were reclaiming it, that we should acquire that also, to give a frontage to the Hotel, and a place of amusement for the residents. This extension will give us three tennis courts, and greatly improve the road, which will now go straight from point to point, and the grass lawns will make a grand foreground to the Hotel. Taking all these extensions and alterations into account, I think the architects were not far out in their original estimate for what was then intended to be done. When all is finished I think you will have one of the finest hotels, not only in the Far East, but in the whole world. Chromo-lithographs have been taken from drawings furnished by Danby, Leigh, and Orange, the architects, and will arrive shortly, when they will be distributed along the different coast ports, in suitable places, where they will be prominent advertisements, to attract visitors to the port. Every exertion will be made to complete and equip the Hotel as fully and comfortably as possible, and I think our means will enable us to do this when we include our debenture capital. We think that by doing this work thoroughly we shall command the support, not only of this community, but of people from all over China and the Philippines, who desire a change but cannot afford time to proceed to Europe. There will be at least 54 bedrooms in the Hotel, each with its separate bath-room and dressing, commanding an uninterrupted view. There will be no annoyance occasioned by the servants being crowded in the same building; their quarters will be across an open space, on a level with the first floor, approached by a bridge. They can thus attend to the bath-rooms, etc., without going through the corridors. There will also be several small dining-rooms for private parties, which can also be used as bed-rooms. There will be a very large dining-room—rather larger than St. Andrew's Hall—supported on handsome iron columns. There will be a small *salon*, to accommodate about forty, attached to it, available for dinner parties. There will be a billiard room, fitted kitchen, with wine vaults, ice-houses, etc. The servants' quarters will be entered from below, to obviate the annoyance of having the place blocked up with chairs, clothes, etc. There will be a drawing-room, reading-room, billiard-room, smoke-room, barber's shop, and the usual office, besides accommodation for the manager and employees. I think when the whole thing is finished you will agree that your money has been well spent. Gas and water will be laid on, and there will be telephonic communication with all parts of the Colony. I may say that we do not intend to permanently occupy the Orange property, the house will be let with the option of purchase, and, as soon as they can be disposed of they will be, as we wish to confine ourselves as far as possible to the hotel business.

The proceedings then terminated.

The following is the report:—To the shareholders of the Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited. Gentlemen—Your Directors beg to lay before you a Statement of Accounts showing the position of the Company on the 31st December, 1889.

The asset Rural Building Lot No. 64 is the site of the Hotel. It includes the original area purchased from the promoters, two new lots purchased at public auction between Mr. and Mrs. LUTZ, an extension to the North overlooking the harbor, and a large lot to the South now being filled in for lawn tennis courts. The area of the land is 188,384 sq. ft., includes the cost of all this land, and the amount paid to contractors. The work on the Hotel is progressing, and we are informed that the roof of one wing will be completed in about a month's time, weather permitting. Mr. Chas. Ford, the Superintendent of the Botanic Gardens, has kindly undertaken to propagate, as far as possible, plants, trees, and shrubs, suitable for the hill district, to be ready for bedding out next season. The asset Rural Building Lot No. 18 and 60, represents the cost of the land and the cost of the house (given in number), which are being erected on what is generally known as the Orange Property. Five of these will be ready for occupation in about six weeks time, and the remaining six at short following intervals. The contracts for the work on the above two properties were made at an advantageous time, the cost of building material having since increased. The amount at the debit of Profit and Loss \$3,905.79 has been carried forward to a new account. It includes no Directors' fees, none having been paid during the past year. Mr. John Andrew, having resigned the Secretaryship, the Directors appointed the Chairman, Mr. John D. HUMPHREYS, to be Managing Director of the Company, with power to appoint a new Secretary, and with approval of this arrangement is requested.

The Company's accounts for the period under review, which dates from the formation of the Company, have been audited by Messrs. A. W. Maitland and A. H. ManceLL.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1890.

DECEMBER 31ST, 1889.
Dr. Capital Account.....\$200,000.00
Less Amount unutilised, 3,400 Shares at \$25 .. 85,000.00
Debitures, 1,465 issued, each value \$50 .. 73,250.00
Interest .. 8,737.00
Local Liabilities..... 2,444.00
\$199,431.00

Cr. Rural Building Lot No. 64, and the Buildings thereon .. \$88,384.00
Reclaiming Position Rural Building Lot No. 18 and 60 and the Buildings thereon .. 103,153.90
Office Furniture .. 60.00
Cash at Bank .. 3,857.31
Profit and Loss .. 3,905.79
\$199,431.00

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.
Dr. To Charges Account.....\$1,417.89
Sundry Preliminary and Legal expenses .. 2,534.00
By Interest .. \$203.60
Transfer Fees .. 82.50
Balance Forward .. 3,905.79
\$4,251.89

We have compared the Books and Vouchers at the Company's Office with the above statement and found it correct.

A. W. MAITLAND, } Auditors.
A. H. MANCELL, }
Hongkong, March 15th, 1890.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION.)

The following is the report of the Liquidators up to 31st December, 1889, for presentation to the shareholders at a general meeting to be held at the head office of the Company at Hongkong, on Thursday, 10th April.

Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1889.
Cash at head office—In current account with Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.....\$10,068.50
London agency—
65 bonds Chinese 7 per cent. loan 1885, series A .. 6,500.00
13 bonds Chinese 6 per cent. loan 1885 .. 1,300.00
2 bonds Japanese 7 per cent. loan 1873 .. 1,000.00
at 1/27,000 .. \$2,666.67
6 bonds Chinese 8 per cent. loan 1884, B .. 2,000.00
\$12,968.17
Less recovered account 1885 .. 467.21
\$12,500.96

Accounts payable—
Uncollected interest warrants .. \$354.00
Sundry amounts due .. 9,324.08
\$9,678.08

WORKING ACCOUNT.
Shareholders' interest—Interest to 31st December, 1887 .. 9,000.00
Hongkong Salaries .. 1,455.96
London office expenses and salaries .. 16,697.01
English branch office expenses .. 217.51
Charges .. 5,921.11
Survey fees .. 701.54
Commission .. 4,229.09
London committee fees .. 2,000.00
Directors' fees .. 3,000.00
Auditors' fees in London & Hongkong .. 1,700.00
Bad and doubtful debts written off .. 3,396.85
Losses account 1883 .. 177.01
" 1884 .. 39.17
" 1885 .. 1,122.8
" 1886 .. 43,723.94
" 1887 .. 155,894.57
" 1888 .. 200,456.98
" 1889 .. 82,692.15
\$347,559.19

Balance brought forward from 1887 .. \$24,275.84
Less fund transferred .. 28,711.50
Profit and Loss Account—
Head office and agencies .. \$396,931.99
Less—Re-insurance and return premiums .. 336,138.01
Interest account .. 59,791.97
Exchange account .. 14,747.38
Profit on sale of Chinese bonds 1884, B .. 1,041.6
Interest warrant lapsed under section 98 of articles of association .. 42.00
Balance .. 213,009.80
\$347,559.19

BALANCE SHEET, 31ST DECEMBER, 1889.
Assets.
Head office—
Cash .. \$1,050.43
Hongkong Bank .. 61,500.00
Share in North-China Insurance Company, Limited .. 277.78
Office furniture .. 621.92
\$63,450.13

London agency—
56 bonds Chinese 7 per cent. loan 1885, series A .. 5,600.00
13 bonds Chinese 6 per cent. loan 1885 .. 1,300.00
2 bonds Japanese 7 per cent. loan 1873 .. 1,000.00
at 1/27,000 .. \$2,666.67
6 bonds Chinese 8 per cent. loan 1884, B .. 2,000.00
\$12,566.67

Accounts receivable—Sundry amounts outstanding .. \$304.62
Balance at debit of working account .. \$121,157.42
\$121,462.04
\$158,662.71

Liabilities.
Capital .. \$1,500,000
Paid-up .. \$300,000.00
Accounts payable—
Uncollected interest warrants .. 396.00
Due London agency .. \$3,797.55
Sundry amounts due .. 4,469.16
\$8,662.71

WORKING ACCOUNT.
Balance brought forward from 1883 .. \$213,009.80
Hongkong salaries .. 12,705.81
London office expenses and salaries .. 16,697.01
Charges .. 1,477.50
Survey fees .. 1,129.36
Commission .. 374.25
Exchange .. 374.25
London committee fees .. 2,000.00
Directors' fees .. 3,000.00
Auditors' fees .. 400.00
Losses account 1886 .. 2,850.44
" 1887 .. 489.18
" 1888 .. 22,086.62
\$65,838.64
Less recovered account 1885 .. 467.21
\$65,371.43

Premium account—
Less—Re-insurance and return premiums .. 2,228.17
Interest account .. 4,229.09
Bad and doubtful debts recovered .. 371.04
Suspense account—Amount recovered on account of claims written off by re-insurers (being 1/2 of approximate sum of £3,600 due on 31st December, 1888, at 3/4 of 1886-1887) .. 2,700.00
Interest warrants lapsed under section 98 of articles of association .. 42.00
Balance .. 237,395.29
\$304,766.72

THE COMPANIES' CUP.
The subject of correspondence speaks for itself. Hongkong, 28th March, 1890.
E. H. GORE-BOTH, Esq.,
Clerk of the Course,
Hongkong Jockey Club.
DEAR SIR:—As a number of inquiries from persons interested in the subject have been made to me, I shall be glad if you will favor me with the official placing of the first three prizes in the race for the Companies' Cup at the recent Jockey Club meeting. You will doubtless remember that this race was run in the dusk and in consequence there was some confusion in the finish and some doubt as to the actual winner, and "placed" ponies. So far as I know, no special announcement was made by the Jockey Club, and as considerable interest is involved in the matter, you will oblige me greatly by sending me the Judge's final decision, as set forth in the official record.
Yours faithfully,
R. FRASER SMITH.
3rd April, 1890.

R. FRASER SMITH, Esq.,
DEAR SIR:—I reply to your letter of the 28th March asking for the official placing of the ponies in the Companies' Cup at last meeting. I am instructed to inform you that the Judge's decision was—
Market (first), Total Loss (second), Valentine (third); but that Valentine, having failed to weigh in after the race and as Claudio did so, he became the third, as no other pony complied with Rule 35. If section of the Laws of Racing, which lays down that—
"If any Jockey do not weigh in or be short weight, &c., his horse is disqualified."
I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,
E. H. GORE-BOTH,
Clerk of the Course.

This decision, which never was in doubt, finally settles all questions as to bets and lotteries. Valentine is disqualified, and Claudio, who actually did finish third and duly weighed in, is placed third, and is entitled to all the rights appertaining to that place.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The eighth prize meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association was commenced yesterday (8th inst.) at the Kowloon ranges. The weather was scarcely all that could be desired, the sun being occasionally obscured by clouds, and the wind varying considerably. This of course rendered the shooting especially at the long ranges, difficult and uncertain. To-day, however, was bright and clear, and for "shootists," as near perfection as warlike men could desire, and in consequence the scoring should be far ahead of yesterday's. There was a murmur abroad this morning about the excessive heat but the competent and obliging Secretary had even provided for this emergency, and the men whose temper and nerves were not soothed by the "shandy" was never made for a campaigner, and should forthwith retire. Owing to the scores being incomplete we are unable to give the results, but a full report will appear in a later issue.

The Easter "wapsinshaw" of the local Rifle Association came to a close yesterday (7th inst.). The attendance each day fully attested the popularity of the competition, there being a particularly big crowd over at the ranges yesterday. The scoring all round, we understand, was about up to the average, but the results of most of the events will not be known for some time, with the following exceptions—

MEMBERS OF COUNCILS. COMPETITION. 1st prize, Cup presented by Mr. E. M. McIntosh; and prize, Cup presented by Mr. Bavier Chaffour.
Colonel Storer, R. E. 1
Hon. J. J. Keswick .. 2
Major-General Bryan Edwards .. 3
Hon. A. P. MacPhee .. 4
LADIES. Open to Lady members or their Nominees. Distance 300 yards, 7 shots, 1st prize, presented by Mr. D. Nowrojee; 2nd prize, by Colonel Chatterjee; 3rd prize, by Captain Rumsey R. N.; 4th prize, by Mr. C. Ford; 5th prize, by Mr. A. Shelton; 6th prize, by Mr. Lock Hing; 7th prize, by Mr. Wong Hing; 8th prize, by Mr. Robinson; 9th prize, by Mr. Stewart; 10th prize, by Mr. E. L. W. Gordon; 11th prize, by Mr. A. H. A. Gordon; 12th prize, by Mr. Ford; 13th prize, by Mr. M. McGregor; 14th prize, by Mr. J. H. Cox; 15th prize, by Mr. F. W. Cross; 16th prize, by Mr. Robinson; 17th prize, by Mr. A. Chapman; 18th prize, by Mr. F. Dodwell; 19th prize, by Mr. Mitchell-Innes; 20th prize, by Mr. Chater; 21st prize, by Mr. Wedehouse.

LADIES' PURSE.
Mr. F. Robinson .. 1
Mr. F. G. Collins .. 2
Police Const. Carson .. 3

THE ROYAL VISIT.

The visit of the Royal party to Canton was not marked by anything special. The usual honours were rendered, and a reception held. They returned yesterday morning (4th inst.), but did not land, embarking directly on the launch *Victoria* and steaming over to the *Aniana*, which had dressed ship for the occasion. There they said good-bye to H. E. the Administrator and the few others who were in attendance, and at 12.15 the *Aniana* left her buoy for the north. No salutes were fired, it being Good Friday, but the yards of the warships were manned, and the ensigns dipped.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

A regatta, a ball, and a bowling handicap are all in the air here. The U.S.S. *Albatross* and the *Albatross* will be here. Everything respecting the Duke's visit went off without a hitch. All Canton was there, and filed past the Ducal pair. I have scarcely got over the ordeal yet. Hence this brevity. More anon.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

According to Saturday's *Graphic*, Mr. F. G. G. G. has resumed his duties as Consul for Sweden and Norway and for the Netherlands.

Stockholm has evidently been "coming" Manila lottery tickets. A five-dollar ticket for the ensuing drawing costs \$5.50 or \$6.00 on the spot.

An curious accident happened at Penang the other day, during a cricket match. Mr. J. Hoser, an operator of the Telegraph Company, in throwing a ball, broke the upper bone of his right arm.

The Dutch Colonial Office has made a suggestion to empower missionaries labouring in different islands throughout the Java Archipelago to buy up slaves for liberation with money supplied by Government.

The French cruiser *Villars*, Captain Mayer, left Shanghai for Yokohama on the 3rd, going thence to Kure to look after the graves of the French victims of the Franco-Chinese war, and thence to Hongkong.

Some few days ago the Singapore police raided a house in Scott's Road where they arrested seven Chinamen and found the premises to be fitted up for a counterfeiting establishment. They also found a box containing counterfeit notes, ten cent pieces, Hongkong twenty cent pieces, cents, and half cents, besides mousetraps, knives, and other small articles, and a number of books recording the names of the counterfeiters. The property seized and a bullock cart.

The Sultana of Johore, on the occasion of her visit to the Duchess of Connaught, at Singapore, presented Her Royal Highness with two handsome gold bangles, and some beautiful sarongs, wrapped in the usual yellow silk covering.

H. M. S. *Albatross* will sail on Saturday next for the North. It is understood that Admiral Sir Newell-Simon will go to Peking, via Ningpo, Shanghai, and Tientsin. The object of his journey is, we apprehend, not pleasure.

At 9.40 p.m. on the night of the 26th ult., an earthquake shock was felt in Tientsin, lasting only a few seconds. Doors banged and windows rattled, and in some houses screens were overturned, but no damage was done to house property.

A COMPANY with a capital of seventy-five thousand guilders has just been started at Batavia to run steamers to Java ports with cargoes of plant cane. A spreading disease among cane in that island gives venture a fair prospect of success.

WHILE the Duke and Duchess of Connaught were at Penang the Sultan of Kedah paid them a visit on board ship, and presented his Royal Highness with a kris with an ivory handle studded with precious stones, and a spear mounted with gold.

At the Borneo Wharf, Singapore, the other week, a bullock cart laden with champagne backed over a stone wall into the sea. The two bullocks went down with the cart but were not in the least injured. The cases of champagne were holed up and will probably be sold for a bargain.

THE *Chikugawa Maru*, the first steel merchant steamer built in Japan, a vessel of 1,050 tons displacement and 500 horse-power, was launched at the Mitsui Bishi Company's Yard, Tatsumi, on the 22nd ult. Her engines, which are triple expansion, and boiler, were all constructed at the Mitsui Bishi works.

THE *Free Press* hears that a British Marine Association, composed of masters, mates and engineers, is to be started in Singapore. The new Association is sadly needed in Singapore, and will probably greatly benefit the shipping community.—The Hongkong Marine Association is getting on, too; about sixty engineers have joined.

According to the *Mercury* there has been a partial strike among the washermen at Shanghai owing to the police having obtained convictions against some of them for wearing clothing given to them to wash. A gentleman who was affected by the strike suggests that the washermen should be licensed, so that the Municipal Council can have some hold upon them.

THE *Daily News* editors are long-winded. The *N. C. Daily News* of the 1st April has a leader a quarter of a column long, all in one sentence! And in a sub-header there are references to Longfellow, Villon, William Tell, Nepole, Crockett Richard, Henry the Eighth, Walpole, the Duke of Wellington, Nelson, Jack the Giant Killer, Scanderbeg, Napoleon, Max Müller, Thor, Sanchi Pansa, Nemesis, Cocaine, Shakespeare, Bacon, Comus, T. Hong K. Tong, Whistler, Schubert, and Faith I. Who says the schoolmaster isn't abroad?

AN old public servant—Mr. T. R. McBean, first usher of the Supreme Court—died suddenly on the 7th inst. He had held his position for a quarter of a century, and was very popular with all nationalities. Although not pretending to much education, his facility for languages was marvellous; as he used to say, he could "get along" in every country from England to Japan, and his services as an interpreter in Portuguese, Indian, Malay, Japanese, and other cases were in frequent request. His funeral was attended by a large and cosmopolitan following.

THE *Lacomotte* states that, in some provinces of Java, coolies have eaten rice, because many newly opened estates are scarce that in hundreds of piculs have had to rot on the ground from lack of hands to gather and store them. The losses on this account come to thousands of guilders. It seems that to draw coolies the sale of opium on the estates is indispensable, but Government restrictions on the consumption of the drug have proved a sore hindrance to planters. Some of the latter go so far as to say roundly that to keep their coolies they will have to smuggle opium.

"THERE'S many a slip between the cup and the lip." Just so, and the American syndicate who proposed to start a big electric light concern in the City of Rama just found that, although they have got the electric plant out and a large 200 h.p. boiler, the latter is too large to drag through the streets unless some 10 of houses be razed to the ground. This, of course, being out of the question, the realization of their pet scheme must rest in abeyance until a fresh boiler, specially adapted for passing through the narrow streets of Canton, is constructed in Hongkong. This will throw back the operations of the enterprising syndicate a good deal, and meanwhile the anti-progressive bugbears may be able to raise mountains of difficulty in their way.

NOT long ago, sundry shippers of sugar in a British vessel, raised an important insurance question, under peculiar circumstances. The ship, *Provincia*, by name, took in a cargo of that sweet at several North Java ports. After being out at sea for a few days, she put in at Batavia with her cargo damaged and in a fluid state, though the vessel had not met with bad weather on the way. The question how the cargo became fluid baffled every expert there, and the Master stood out that the damage must have been self-originated, and hence, that he could not be held answerable. The shippers and the insurance company concerned, thought otherwise with the result that the case came into Court in London. The judgment just delivered has gone against the vessel, the damages being laid at about one hundred thousand guilders.

The Viceroy Li Hung-chang, says the *N. C. Daily News*, having gone to Peking to attend the Emperor during his visit to the Eastern Manchu, is moving heaven and earth during his stay at the capital to get the Chinese Telegraph Convention ratified. The majority of the Chinese Ministers are doing their best to prevent the ratification, and those members of the Tsung-li Yamen who understand the question are also opposed to the Convention; but many of the members of the Yamen do not know anything themselves about the question, and are willing to take anything Li Hung-chang tells them for granted. The Emperor starts on Friday, (4th inst.) and the matter has to be settled one way or the other before that date, so that there is no time for any fresh representations from the "Chambers of Commerce" to reach Peking. Heretofore Brands and Colonel Derby are, however, fully informed on the merits of the question, and take great interest in it; and they are doing all that can possibly be done to frustrate this renewed effort on the part of the Cable Companies.

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H. A. HERBERT, Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

RULES

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2.—SUMS LESS THAN \$1, or MORE THAN \$500 at one time will not be received. No Depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

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4.—INTEREST at the rate of 3 1/2 per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

5.—EACH DEPOSITOR will be supplied gratis with a PASS-BOOK, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their PASS-BOOKS, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—CORRESPONDENCE as to the Business of the Bank, if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, will be forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and Shanghai.

7.—WITHDRAWALS may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his PASS-BOOK, are necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

G. E. NOBLE, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1890.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £7,500,000.

RESERVE FUND £4,600,000.

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £7,500,000.

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G. E. NOBLE, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1890.

HONGKONG PUBLIC SCHOOL.

(ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE.)

Head Master—C. I. BATEMAN.

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THE Midsummer Term will commence on MONDAY, April 14th, at NINE A.M.

New Pupils will be admitted on SATURDAY, April 12th, at TEN A.M.

Fees—Upper School, \$20 per Term.

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A Preparatory CLASS of Pupils from 6 to 9 years of age, under the personal direction of Mrs. BATEMAN, is being formed.

Fees, \$12 per Term.

J. S. BURDON, Bishop.

Chairman of the Public School Committee.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1890.

SIEN TING.

SURGEON DENTIST.

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TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation free.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1890.

Consignees.

MOGUL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LD. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "MOGUL."

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are informed that all Goods, are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M., TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 15th inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 15th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1890.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP, LIVERPOOL, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship "DORACK" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 11th instant, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th inst., at 4 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 11th inst., will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-DAY, the 5th inst.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1890.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. DAVID HASKELL was admitted a partner in our Firm from the 1st of January, 1890.

M. S. SASSOON & Co.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1890.

NOTICE.

IN addition to our present business in this Colony as Share and General Brokers, we have to-day established ourselves as GENERAL AUCTIONEERS.

APCAR BROS.

68, Queens Road Central, Hongkong, 5th April, 1890.

AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

MR. JOHN ANDREW having resigned the Secretaryship of the Company, Mr. HENRY HUMPHREYS has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY.

The Registered Office has been REMOVED to 35, Queen's Road Central (over the Hongkong Dispensary).

For the Directors,

JNO. D. HUMPHREYS, Chairman.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1890.

NOTICE.

MR. KENNETH DOUGLAS ADAMS, late of Messrs. BIRLEY & Co., Canton, has joined our firm from this date and is authorised to sign the name of the firm.

HERBERT DENT & Co.

Canton, 15th March, 1890.

NOTICE.

THE firm of BIRLEY & Co. at this port has ceased to exist, and the goodwill and business of the same has been handed over to and will, henceforth, be conducted by Messrs. HERBERT DENT & Co. of Canton, and Macao.

BIRLEY & Co.

Canton, 15th March, 1890.

REFERRING to the above all amounts due to and owing by BIRLEY & Co. will be settled by

KENNETH DOUGLAS ADAMS.

Canton, 15th March, 1890.

AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

MR. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS has been appointed MANAGING DIRECTOR of the above Company.

HENRY HUMPHREYS, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1890.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned JOHN DODD in the Firm of Messrs. DODD & Co., at Tamsui, Kelung and Formosa, ceased as from the 1st February, 1890.

The business will as from that date be carried on by Mr. TOM GREAVES GOWLAND and Mr. HENRY PERCY WHITE.

JOHN DODD.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1890.

NOTICE.

MY Interest and Responsibility in the Firm of Messrs. D. D. OLIA & Co., at Hongkong, Amoy, Foochow, Tamsui, Kelung and Tamsui ceased from the 1st day of February, 1890.

F. C. KECKA.

Foochow, 6th February, 1890.

NOTICE.

POATE AND NOBLE, DENTAL SURGEONS.

D. NOBLE has returned to the Colony and resumed practice.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1890.

Intimations.

ROBERT LANG & CO., TAILORS, HATTERS, SHIRTMAKERS, AND GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS.

NEW GOODS.

Usters & Inverness CAPES. Chesterfield & Covert COATS. Cheviot & Saxony SUITINGS. STYLISH TROUSERS. RACING COLORS. RIDING BREECHES.

Ladies' HABITS. JACKETS. ULSTERS. New FELT HATS (latest styles). DRAB SHELL HATS. Single & Double TERA HATS.

BOOTS and SHOES. Gent's DRESS SHIRTS. UNDERCLOTHING. Travelling RUGS & MAUDS. GLADSTONE BAGS. PORTMANTEAUS, &c. &c.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1890.

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"EXTRA SPECIAL FINEST LIQUEUR."

"VERY OLD HIGHLAND BLEND."

"RARE OLD BLEND."

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7th April 1890

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EX S.S. "GLENARRY" TRIMMED and UNTRIMMED MILLINERY. WHITE and COLOURED STRAW HATS. FLOWERS and FLOWER BONNETS. CORSETS, HANDKERCHIEFS and FRILLINGS. NEU SHADES in PLAIN TUSSEORE SILK.

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Victoria Exchange, Hongkong, 3rd April 1890.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAVE NOW UNPACKED THEIR NEW STOCK OF

SUN HATS and

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SOLE AGENTS

For Hongkong, China, Japan and the Philippine Islands,

Hongkong, 5th April, 1890.

MARINE HOTEL, HONGKONG.

THE Undersigned begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, that he will OPEN THE MARINE HOTEL, on or about the 1st May.

THIS FIRST-CLASS HOTEL is situated on the Praya, West, opposite the Old P. & O. Wharf, and is newly built after the designs of the Largest European Hotels—the BEDROOMS, BATH-ROOMS, &c., are commodious well ventilated and well furnished, and are suitable for Single or Married Persons. The DINING ROOM is large and looks on the Harbour.

The BAR and BILLIARD ROOMS are on the Ground Floor, and will be fitted up in superior style. ENGLISH and AMERICAN TABLES.

WINE and LIQUORS of the best qualities and Brands only will be supplied.

The Undersigned therefore begs the patronage of the Public, hoping to give every satisfaction.

JAS. EDWARDS, Proprietor.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1890.

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED

CASSELL'S Year Book Medical Treatment. Grover's Railway Bridges Culverts, &c.

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Lee's Merchant Shipping Act. Laws of Shipping.

King of Road Bicycle Lamps. Violin Guitars and Banjo Strings.

Banjos, Guitars and Old Violins. Chess Draughts, Dominoes.

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New Game, Revolvers. New Artists' Materials, Oil Colours.

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Vulcanite Set Squares. Engineers Paper Scales.

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Hongkong, 19th March, 1890.

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STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1890.

Intimations.

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS. ANALYTICAL, FAMILY, DISPENSING, and GENERAL CHEMISTS.

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IN submitting an abridged Synopsis of a few of the chief lines of goods included in our business, we beg to state that we import Drugs, Chemicals and Goods of every kind of the best description only—no other quality is kept in stock.

Our long experience and intimate acquaintance with the Trade, and the best sources of supply, enable us to purchase direct from the Producers on the very best terms, and thus give us an advantage which enables us to offer our constituents the benefit of a considerable reduction in the price of all our Specialities as compared with similar articles sold elsewhere.

We wish it to be clearly understood that our prices cannot be beaten by any other firm in the Colony; and we trust it will soon become generally known that, quality for quality, our charges all round compare favourably with those ruling at home.

Experienced qualified English Assistants only are employed in the preparation and dispensing of Medicines.

Analysis of all kinds.—We are in a position to well attend to the interests of our Clients.

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Infants' Feeding Bottles, Dito Brushes and Teats, Food Warmers, Lamps, and Nightlights.

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Condensed Milk, Corn Flour, Bermuda Arrow-root, Russian Isinglass, Prepared Grouse, Genuine Mustard, &c.

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Cholera Belts, Metal and Earthenware Bed Pans, Disinfectants and Medicated Toilet Papers, Fumigating Pastilles, Vaporizers, &c., &c.

SOUTHALL'S Sanitary Towels for Ladies' use. Ear and Ear-nose Syringes, Bougies, Catheters, Pessaries, Trusses, Elastic Silk Stockings, Knee Caps, Anklets, Wristlets, and Bandages of all kinds.

Urinals, Male or Female, in Glass, Earthenware, and India Rubber.

Water-proof Sheet. Ice Bags for Head and Spine.

Bronchitis Kettles, Hot Water Bottles. Chest and Lung Protectors.

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Mustard Leaves, Spongio Piline. Lined Meal for Poultices, Poultice-Bags, &c., &c.

Minimum Measures, Medicine Glasses and Spoons, Champagne and Soda Water Taps, Seltzogenes, &c.

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Chemical, Clinical, and Bath Thermometers. Six's Minimum and Maximum Thermometers.

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Ear Cornets and Trumpets, Conversation Tubes, Corn Knives and Rubbers, Camel Hair Pencils, Ligature Catgut, Silver Wire, Practitioners' Knives and Scissors, Pocket Dressing Cases and Instruments, Protrangers, Respirators, Dispensing Scales and Weights.

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Medicine Chests for family and travellers' use.

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Magneto-Electric Machines for the Cure of Nervous Diseases, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, &c.

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A delicious "House-forming" and "force-producing" Digestive Food.

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"As an article of diet in wasting diseases, the Kepler Extract is liked by patients, and often taken readily when other forms are not retained. It is a good plan to begin with a teaspoonful three times a day, but the dose may be rapidly increased to a tablespoonful or more. One of the best vehicles for taking the Extract of Malt is a little warm milk, but some people prefer it alone, whilst others like it with soda water."—*London Medical Record*.

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IN MALT EXTRACT.

"An ideal form for the administration of fat."—*Brit. Medical Journal*."It has hardly any of the taste of the oil. Many can take it easily who cannot take the oil."—*The Lancet*."The taste of the oil is agreeably disguised, its nutritive qualities are greatly increased, and it is rendered easy of digestion."—*Brit. Med. Journal*.

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MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED WATERS.

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Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

While the columns of the *Hongkong Telegraph* will always be open for the free discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in this day's issue not later than Three o'clock so as not to reach the press before the close of the printing of the paper.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until discontinued.

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TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Subscribers to the *Hongkong Telegraph* are respectfully reminded that all Subscriptions are payable in advance.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 1890.

At a special meeting of the Shanghai Race Club held on March 25th the members of that institution, by a majority, took the very unusual, if not altogether unprecedented, course of altering the published dates of the forthcoming Spring Meeting from the 5th, 6th, and 7th of May to the 28th, 29th and 30th inst.

The reasons given for this change were that, as the dates originally fixed were close to the Hankow tea season, a number of members would be prevented from being present, and the proposer of the change (Mr. D. BRAND, a keen and enthusiastic "sport" of many years' standing), considered that for their annual subscription of ten taels, all members should have an opportunity of attending both Spring and Autumn meetings. This was, of course, a bit of

special pleading, and we are not disposed to contend that a good deal of reason might not have been made out of Mr. BRAND's argument; but we gravely doubt whether there was sufficient to justify the Stewards of the Shanghai Race Club in even taking the sense of the meeting on a course which might in future become a very dangerous precedent. Were the Stewards not fully aware about the Hankow tea season when they originally fixed the dates of the Spring Race Meeting? Did anything transpire in the meantime to bring the tea season a week earlier than customary and thus upset the arrangements of owners and riders who had interests at stake? We assume that the Stewards did not fix the 5th, 6th and 7th of May without giving the matter full consideration, and nothing was adduced at the special meeting to show that any owner or jockey had been prejudiced. On the other hand it was clearly enough established that, in consequence of the bad weather lately experienced and the late arrivals of griffins from the North, the candidates for the "griffins" and other leading events could not possibly be trained in time to race at the end of April. Unless the griffins could be trained it was scarcely likely they would be entered, so that, as a matter of fact, the proposed change meant smaller entries than usual and a reduction of the Club's revenue. But in our opinion the most cogent argument against Mr. BRAND and his supporters was the establishment of a precedent that, so far as our knowledge of racing procedure goes, has no parallel, and which, was we have already indicated, might in unscrupulous hands become a very dangerous element. Some reference was made to the interference with bets, and although that is a matter of which the Stewards could not officially take cognisance, it still had some bearing on the question at issue and was worthy of the consideration of the members present. Mr. BRAND's contention—we quote from the report in the *N. C. Daily News*—"that bets had no locus standi until the entries were made" is simple nonsense, and in more ways than one. The meaning of *locus standi* in a legal sense is a right to appear before a court, and everybody connected with racing knows quite well that bets are not recoverable at law. And supposing that what Mr. BRAND intended to convey was that in the racing world bets made before the publication of entries were not recognised, he would still be wide of the mark. In races like the Cesarewitch and Cambridgeshire, run at Newmarket in the Autumn, a very considerable amount of betting invariably takes place long before the entries close, and it is as valid and as generally recognised as if the transaction were made while the competitors were at the post. A "long shot" for either of these two popular handicaps before the Doncaster meeting has passed into a proverb on the English turf; and surely Mr. BRAND has heard or read of sweepstakes and bets on what are known as Produce Stakes—races arranged before even the horses are foaled! However, our only interest in the decision arrived at by the members of the Shanghai Race Club is to prevent this "pegging back" system from becoming a recognised precedent for other racing institutions in the Far East, and we can only regret that the Stewards did not see their way to exercise the powers they undoubtedly possess, and decline to stultify themselves by permitting their arrangements to be set aside in such a summary and irregular fashion.

TELEGRAMS.

THE CYCLONE IN AMERICA.

LONDON, March 31st.

The havoc in the area traversed by the cyclone is appalling, and unequalled in history.

PARLIAMENT.

The Tithes Bill has been read a second time in the House of Commons.

THE LABOUR CONFERENCE.

The Labour Conference at Berlin is closed.

EMIN PASHA.

April 7th.

The press in London attack Emin Pasha for ingratitude, and warn the British African Trading Company to be on the alert.

FRANCE AND EGYPT.

France has sent a satisfactory reply to the Egyptian conversion receipt.

THE GERMAN ARMY.

The Emperor of Germany has declared that the sons of honorable citizens are eligible for officers' commissions, and that the commissions are no longer to be restricted to sons of persons of noble birth.

FRANCE.

Paris, March 27th.

The Under-Secretary of State has created a Commission to consider the system of recruiting and organising troops in the French Colonies.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A GYMKHANA meeting will be held at Fochow on the 18th inst.

THERE will be a game of Polo on the Race-course to-morrow, the 10th inst., at 4 p.m.

WE are informed by the agents (Messrs. Butterfield & Swire) that the China Navigation Company's steamer *Kwaiyang*, from Glasgow, left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst., and is due on the 13th.

A SLEEPER is one who sleeps. A sleeper is that in which the sleeper carries the sleeper while he sleeps. The sleeper carries the sleeper under the sleeper.

THERE was a great kite-flying festival at a place in Japan named Ogida-mura, the other day, when a kite, 11 ft. wide and 15 ft. high, and bearing upon it the character of Kokwai (Parliament) was sent up to the heavens. The rope which was attached to it was of the thickness of the index finger. Parliament isn't going that way just yet, though.

INSPECTOR PERRY made a lucky haul yesterday when he bagged a landshark named Ching Hi, lately the favorite cooie of Mr. Fielding Clarke, Acting Chief Justice. The "good and faithful" was to-day formally arraigned before Mr. E. Robinson and charged with stealing on the 2nd instant jewellery to the value of \$300, the property of his late employer. The case was remanded until the 14th.

AN AMERICAN journal makes the following true remarks about the uselessness of foreign missions:—"The church is dreaming of the conversion of the world by means which never yet converted the people of a single town, city, or nation. How long will she persist in this dream and refuse to be consoled by the hope of speedy rest and redemption?" But Tom Dick, and Arty, who have a good time of it at the expense of imbeciles and innocents at home, don't look upon it all as a dream. Not much!

At the Magistracy to-day one William Ivory, a cross-grained individual who looked and talked like an Irish-American, tried, with an eloquence and wit worthy a better cause, to show that it was not his blow which had felled P.C. 318, but that it was the "copper's" ungainly effort to avoid the said back-hander that had been the cause of all the trouble. His Worship dismissed the story, and so as to leave no doubt in William's mind sent him to durance vile for seven days.

ALTHOUGH it is permissible for a cat to look at a king, one must not, if in Ireland, wink at a pig, otherwise three months' imprisonment will result. A pig with this liberty was taken was the property of a boycotted farmer; and, by a remarkable coincidence, a Home-Ruler was about to purchase when another Home-Ruler, who happened to come by, winked at it. The prospective purchaser thereupon turned his back upon the pig, and the porker remained unsold. So much for the boycott system.

THE American ship *Glendon*, Captain Glendon, consigned to Messrs. Smith, Baker & Co., Yokohama, from New York, with 65,000 cases of kerosene on board, grounded on a shoal off Shimomura, province of Sagami, at 4 a.m. on the 24th inst., being blown in shore by a strong easterly wind while bound for Yokohama. The U.S.S. *Omaha* went down to her assistance, but she became a total wreck. She had made a remarkably good passage, having beaten fully five vessels who had left America from one to two months ahead of her.

THE newly-started Yokohama Investment Company proves to be doing more than an attempt of one or more Yokohama residents to provide an annual lottery to the Manila and the Louisiana Lottery. The circular invites investments in \$5 shares monthly, and promises in return for one thousand shares to award ten prizes varying from one thousand to twenty-five dollars, one hundred ten dollar prizes, and one hundred and twenty five dollar prizes, less in each case 15 per cent. The 15 per cent. is to cover working expenses and to remunerate the promoter or promoters. That is a lot ahead of the system on which the Spanish "sweep" is managed.

A CORRESPONDENT in Tokio writes as follows:—General Le Gendre and a palace official have arrived here from Corea on a flying visit. It is rumoured they have come to consult with the Japanese Government respecting the gravity of the political situation, and the attitude to be assumed by Japan in the event of China carrying out her threat to adopt an aggressive policy towards Korea. Presumably "the gravity of the political situation" refers to the excitement consequent upon General Le Gendre's appointment and the intention of the Korean King to dispatch a new Ambassador to Europe. The Progressive party appears to have got the upper hand of his Majesty at the present time, but with what result we have yet to see.

WE regret to learn that the late Mr. T. R. McBean, bailiff of the Supreme Court, whose sudden and unexpected death was noticed in our issue of yesterday, has left behind him a widow and seven children totally unprovided for, and quite unable to look after themselves. Now is the time for Mr. Jno. J. Francis, Q.C., and Bishop Raimond to teach the Freemasons of the colony a lesson in the noble cause of Charity—in doing something substantial for the widow and the fatherless; but in the event of these worthy men failing to do so, let us at least do our common humanity, we would remind the sinful and ex-communicated brethren of Southern China, of Canton, United Service No. 1341, and St. John's No. 618, S.C. that poor McBean was a lowly member of these lodges and that his widow and children are badly in need of financial aid.

NELLY ELV is a young woman who caught several trains and two or three steamers, nothing more. But when she got back to New York, the World, of course, went into hysterics over this not very important event; and the day after printed thirty-two columns, more or less, about the journey, commencing with an entire column of head-lines in this style:—

FATHER TIME OUTDONE! EVEN IMAGINATION'S RECORD PALES BEFORE THE PERFORMANCE OF "THE WORLD'S" GLOBE-CIRCULAR.

THOUSANDS CHEER THEMSELVES HOARSE AT MELLIE ELV'S ARRIVAL.

THE WHOLE COUNTRY AGLOW WITH INTEREST.

"THE END OF AN ERA."

Sullen echoes of cannon across the grey waters of the bay and over the roofs and spires of three cities.

People look at their watches. It is only four o'clock. Those cannot be the sunset guns.

Is some one dead?

Only an old era. And the booming yonder at the Battery and Fort Greene tolls his passing away. The stage-coach days are ended, and the new age of lightning travel begun.

(Or the age of bunkum—which?)

THE Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Patroclus*, from Liverpool, left Singapore for Hongkong this morning, and is due on the 16th inst.

THE Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co. courteously informs us that the steamship *Thames*, with the next English mail, left Singapore for this port at 8 a.m. to-day.

WE regret that want of space prevents us from publishing the complete list of the prize-winners at the Easter meeting of the Rifle Association, kindly forwarded by the hon. sec., Mr. E. V. Ludds. It will appear in to-morrow's issue.

A JAPAN contemporary hears that the U. S. S. *Albatross* is to be ordered out to take the place of the *Marina*. She is a wooden schooner of 1,375 tons—Noah's Ark, with a mosquito fleet of dug-outs, is getting ready for a commission, in Uncle Sam's dock-yards.

IN honour of the Duke of Connaught's visit to Singapore and to the Forts, his name is hereafter to be permanently associated with a portion of the defences. Henceforth Fort Blakan Mati East, a defensive point of great importance, is to be called Fort Connaught.

THE Hon. J. J. Keswick and Mr. Taylor, of Jardine Matheson & Co., who visited the Hongkong mines the other day to inspect the coal-mines there, were enchanted with the appearance of the workings, according to the *Courier d'Haiphong*, and expressed full confidence in their future.

NATIVE spies report that Lu-yui—the chief of the band which held three French prisoners at Ben-chau, Tonquin, last month, until \$50,000 ransom was paid—did not shoot Wing-tai-chong, the captives' comrade, as he alleged. They say that, on the contrary, he allowed him to cross the frontier into China, to be out of danger.

DEAR KATE. By this mail I advance to you the remains of my pants, there's just the waist-band and one leg. Which you'll accept with love I beg. It may be when you find the rest. They'll make your brother Tim a vest. The shreds I send are very slight. Your pa's dog got the rest last night.

At the Harbour Office yesterday twenty-seven Chinese coolies appeared before Commander Rumsey, R.N., to answer to a charge, preferred against them by Captain Drake, of the steamship *Catterthorn*, of obtaining passage from Fort Darwin to Hongkong, by surreptitious means. The Magistrate succeeded in getting four out of the crowd to stump five dollars *per capita*, but the rest of the long-tailed gentry preferred to "do" seven days in Her Majesty's hotel.

ACCORDING to the librarian of the Royal Geographical Society, England possesses territory to the extent of not less than ten million square miles—very nearly one-fifth of the whole and area of the globe. Theoretically the size of Europe; one and a half times larger than the whole of the Russian Empire in Europe and Asia; ten times the size of the German Empire at home and abroad; eight million square miles more than the whole of the French dominions.

WHAT ought to prove a close and interesting shooting match has been arranged to take place at the Military Ranges, Kowloon, to-morrow afternoon, between the Army & Navy. The teams will be eight on each side, selected from the ships on the China Station and the Hongkong Garrison respectively. We understand that the Garrison will be represented by four crack shots from the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders and four of the leading marksmen from the Garrison Club, so that an unusually strong team will take the field in defence of local interests. Shooting will commence at 2 o'clock.

THE death-rate in great cities varies from the average of 41 per 1,000 at Cairo, 34 at Alexandria, 31 at St. Petersburg, to the minimum of 16.82 at Philadelphia, and 16.63 at Washington. London has a good position in the mortality, 22; Edinburgh, 20; Dublin, 28; Paris, Vienna, New York and Naples are all about 27 *per mille*. In India, Calcutta is given at 31.85 and Bombay 25.16. Melbourne is only 18.83, and Sydney, 19.52. The figures in Hongkong compare with the best of them, unhealthy as our Colony is supposed to be. They stand at 12.7 *per 1,000* for the Europeans, and 20.5 for the Chinese, which speaks well for the way in which our teeming Chinese population is looked after.

PEOPLE who send their servants to market should have the things weighed when the cook brings them home, as they will thus stand less risk of being systematically robbed. At the Shanghai Mixed Court the other morning the mess boy employed at the Hongkong Station was charged with larceny of a Hongkong dollar. It was found that he was his duty to obtain meat from the butcher with whom he made an agreement to charge so many pounds of meat to the mess, while in reality a pound, to a pound and a half less daily was sent, the balance being put to the credit of the boy, who, thus at the end of the month received \$4.70 from the butcher. The boy was sentenced to four weeks' imprisonment, and the butcher was fined \$4.

AN interesting match was run off in Wanchai yesterday, when Mak Luk staked his liberty against a pair of well-known *egg-frog*, the property of Leung Man, a widow. Mak took all the start he could get, and chose his own course, but it proved a most unfortunate one for him. Leung, if not fast, was—as most widows are—wily, and when she saw she was playing a losing game, threw up the sponge in favour of some friends who had joined in. After a long run the Mak Luk was run to the day to pay over the stakes, which he did to the apparent satisfaction of all excepting Mak, who for nine long months will have an opportunity of deciding which is the more pleasant, picking ear-rings or oakum.

UNDER the judicious pressure of the Government the Straits Settlements secret societies have now become a thing of the past. Governor Sir C. C. Smith (who, by the way, is going on leave shortly) stated at the last meeting of the Council that he regarded the societies in Singapore—which they were then, six of them *Triad* Societies—they all in February last delivered over their seals and insignia to the Protector of Chinese, with their books and registers, which were, at the request of the headmen of the different societies, destroyed by the Acting Protector of Chinese; and a further step was taken at their request—these articles were taken to the well-known temple in Road and the money, which these societies had from the parent Gi-Hin Society were also burnt, which was tantamount to the formal renunciation of any connection with the famous, or rather notorious, societies in China. As regards the property of these societies, three of the kongsi-houses are already sold, and others are making arrangements to dispose of them. All the dangerous societies are closed, and there is every intention on the part of the managers to dispose of the remaining portion of their property at an early date. Technically, therefore, as regards Singapore, the Council may be satisfied that the suppression of these societies has been carried into effect.

THE Bellios Trustees have awarded the following prizes in respect of the examination held by them in December last.

For Boys.

1st prize: Silver medal and \$30.—F. Horipool, Hongkong Public School.

2nd prize: Silver medal and \$20.—E. Lammer, Hongkong Public School.

3rd prize: \$10.—F. Marques, St. Joseph's College.

4th prize: \$15.—C. Marques, St. Joseph's College.

5th prize: \$15.—W. Allen, Victoria College.

For Girls Getting a European Education.

1st prize: Silver medal and \$25.—C. M. Noronha, Italian Convent School.

2nd prize: \$15.—Isa Lammer, Victoria English School.

3rd prize: \$10.—M. T. Alves, Italian Convent School.

For Girls Learning only Chinese.

1st prize: Bronze medal and \$5.—Li Tai Chin, Basel Mission School.

2nd prize: \$15.—Wong Ahn, Victoria Home and Orphanage.

3rd prize: \$10.—Ng Awan, Victoria Home and Orphanage.

4th prize: Chan Tro, Baxter School.

ACCORDING to our Tientsin contemporary, the Peiho threatens to be as troublesome this year as last, probably more so, as the difficulties attending navigation are not only more marked but are at least three months in advance of last season. "The South Reach is the first serious obstacle, but the worst obstruction is in the Tientsin Reach. The water in this reach is getting shallower every day, and if no snow takes place steamers will be excluded in a few weeks from reaching the Bund. Competent authorities venture the speculation that the periodical silling up of the Peiho is due principally to the numerous creeks that of late years have been cut which drain the river of a considerable amount of its water, reduce the force of the current, and thus allow the soil in suspension to settle in the bed of the river instead of being carried out to sea. There may be some measure of probability in this, as during the past two years the creeks have been repaired and many new ones made, and since the port has been open to foreign trade the river has never behaved so badly as during the past year. The trade of the port is undoubtedly affected by the delay and additional charges imposed upon the public generally—that it was with very great loss to the port, and that it is an ill wind that blows no one good, and the Taku Tug and Lighter Company will not by any means be losers should the port again become inaccessible to steamers.

MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon. There were present:—His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (Mr. F. Fleming); the Acting Colonial Secretary (Mr. W. M. Deane); Mr. S. Brown, Surveyor-General; Mr. A. Lister (Acting Colonial Treasurer); Mr. W. M. Goodman, Attorney-General; Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Innes, Acting Registrar-General; Messrs. C. P. Chater, A. P. MacEwen, Ho Kai, (unofficial members) and Mr. F. J. Hazledar, Acting Clerk of Councils.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

\$12,000 THANKS.

His Excellency—Before bidding farewell to this shore, H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught desired me to inform this Council—and indeed the public generally—that it was with very great pleasure that he and H.R.H. the Duchess visited such an interesting portion of Her Majesty's dominions as this, and that they were both much gratified with the kind welcome accorded to them, and with everything done to make their stay agreeable by all classes of the community. To H.R.H. the Duke his reception was doubly gratifying, inasmuch as he considered it a further proof of that loyalty and that devotion which this colony has ever shown to his royal mother, our gracious Queen, by all her subjects—ever-loving, and by them ever beloved.

REPORTS.

The Acting Colonial Secretary laid on the table the report of the Superintendent of the Gaol for 1889. Also a statement showing the total receipts and payments during the year.

VOTES.

The Acting Colonial Secretary moved that the following votes be referred to the Finance Committee:—

\$991 for the repair of the telegraph cable between North Point and Kowloon. The damage was caused by some vessels anchored there dragging several cables together, and entangling them.

\$1002 for expenses incurred by the Sanitary Board in respect to the recent cattle epidemic. The amount was made up as follows:—Compensation for cattle and fodder destroyed, \$1,820; slaughtering and disposing of carcasses, \$51; disinfecting, &c., \$50.

His Excellency—I am glad to say that although you are asked to vote this money, the energetic methods taken by the Sanitary Board in suppressing the outbreak had the effect of at once doing away with what might have proved a very serious misfortune to this colony.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT COMPANY.

Mr. Keswick moved the second reading of the "Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company Bill, 1889." He said that the object of the Bill was sufficiently evident to all its clauses. At the time the Company was incorporated its capital was \$2,500,000, but within a few months that was increased to five million dollars, of which increase only \$1,225,000 were called up, making the total \$3,725,000. The Company was only permitted to invest its funds within the area of this Colony, and as its capital was now so very large its sphere of operations was found to be too limited, and it therefore sought to extend its power by a special Ordinance. The Company, of course, have been wound up, and re-constituted, but that is a perfectly unimportant matter, and the Bill is a desirable one. The acquiescence of the shareholders to the extension of operations would have to be obtained before the Governor's consent to the Bill would be given.

Mr. Chater seconded, and the Bill passed its second reading. It was then re-committed and after a few verbal amendments passed its third reading.

OUR GENERAL.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill to amend the Public Health Ordinance of 1879. By an oversight in that Ordinance no person burying in any cemetery was liable to a \$100 fine, and the Bill was to rectify the error. It passed its first reading.

A BIO JOB.

The Council then went into Committee on the *Magistrates' Bill*.

Mr. McEwen protested against every clause being read, about a hundred and twenty.

The rest of the proceedings are held over until to-morrow.

VICTORIA GAOL.

The following Report of the Superintendent of Victoria Gaol for 1889, was laid on the table at the meeting of the Legislative Council held this afternoon:—

GAOL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, Hongkong, 15th Jan., 1890.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.—I beg to forward herewith Annual Statistical Return of Victoria Gaol for the year 1889.

2. During eight months of the year I was detached from duty, Major Dempsey acting as Superintendent for the time and carrying out the discipline of the Gaol on the same lines as hitherto.

3. There has been a small increase in the average number of prisoners during the year, and a large proportionate increase in the number of prison offences, but the latter increase is due entirely to petty offences, of which talking and short oakum picking are the principal. The number of violent and serious prison offences has continued to steadily decrease.

for securing the greatest amount of comfort on the journey; they proposed that, instead of going by the omnibus, we should hire a carriage for ourselves, and steal a march on the others, by reaching the boat, which was a small one with very limited accommodation, before they could do so; otherwise, said they, "we may have to sleep on the table, or perhaps, get no sleeping place at all." So, we took a private conveyance, and giving the necessary instructions to the driver, started off by ourselves. None of us knew where the boat was, so to say nothing of the canal, and we drove on, supposing we were going in the right direction, until we reached the outskirts of the city, and then farther on until we found ourselves surrounded by wastes of sand where there were no signs of canal, or boats, or anything else contrived by human hands. Then the driver turned to us with an enquiring look as if to ask us what it was we were anxious to see. We called out, "Boat!" but he found he understood not the word of English, then we tried him in all the languages we could muster, including the most approved pidgin English, but with the same result. We were now in despair! We knew that the boat would start punctually, that it was nearly the hour for her departure, and that unless we reached her by the hour appointed we should be left behind, and condemned to pass a month in Alexandria, our luggage, with money and everything else, except what we stood in, having already gone on to the boat. We called out, "Boat!" but he found he understood not the word of English, then we tried him in all the languages we could muster, including the most approved pidgin English, but with the same result. We were now in despair! We knew that the boat would start punctually, that it was nearly the hour for her departure, and that unless we reached her by the hour appointed we should be left behind, and condemned to pass a month in Alexandria, our luggage, with money and everything else, except what we stood in, having already gone on to the boat.

We found that the omnibuses had left some time before, and that there was barely a chance for us to catch the boat, but a dogman mounted the box to enquire of the driver, and he told us the boat was not yet started, and in an agony of suspense were driven to the boat, which we reached just as she was on the point of starting, and were only too thankful to secure a sitting place for the night, the less experienced travellers having occupied all the available sleeping accommodation. The boat was very small and overcrowded, and what with this, and the heat, and insects, we passed a most wretched night. The next morning, at eight, the dogman mounted the box to enquire of the driver, and he told us the boat was not yet started, and in an agony of suspense were driven to the boat, which we reached just as she was on the point of starting, and were only too thankful to secure a sitting place for the night, the less experienced travellers having occupied all the available sleeping accommodation. The boat was very small and overcrowded, and what with this, and the heat, and insects, we passed a most wretched night.

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a few moments for such refreshment as could be derived from antiquated bread and cheese, or perhaps eggs not of the freshest, and beer and soda-water of unknown brands. After such aid to appetite and digestion, however, as the incessant jolting had afforded, one was not disposed to over-dulge in the way of food, so that even this inferior and scanty fare was very acceptable. These halts gave the passenger an opportunity to pull themselves together, and compare experiences, which, to the young or vigorous, had such an element of fun that the hardship was patiently borne; but to the old or infirm among the passengers, this ordeal was a very trying one, and was the dread of the "overland" passage. So we went on from station to station, of which I believe there were eighteen, until late in the night, when we reached Suez, all thoroughly "done up." The so-called hotel was a barrack-like building, and the rooms resembled prison cells, but, as we were, we took little note of this, as almost any place with sufficient room for stretching oneself would have been acceptable after the two sleepless nights we had passed, and being cramped for eighteen hours, as we had been, in carts so narrow that any change of position was impossible. The next day, after a brief exploration of the filthy streets and bazaars of Suez, where flies and sore-eyes were the predominant characteristics, we embarked in large open boats for the steamer *Oriental*, lying at anchor in the offing, and then settled down for the second stage of the long journey. We were all delighted to find ourselves once more at a well furnished table, but our enthusiasm was somewhat dashed when we learned that the ice had given out, and that there was only enough left for the first dinner, after which our beverages would have to be the temperature of the atmosphere somewhere in the nineties. All extending therefore to make the most of the present, and enjoy to the full, for one day at least, theiced drinks which felt so cool and delicious compared with the vapid draughts of beer and soda water which the *Oriental* was a large steamer with two berth decks, the upper for ladies and families, the lower for single men, and the three therefore relegated to the lower, with three others in the same room. The ports were not large enough to admit sufficient light or air, and a single or more glomy hole it would be impossible to imagine, and as I look back upon this experience, accustomed as we now are to the luxuries of modern travel, it seems wonderful that people were willing to put up with such discomfort, particularly in view of the high charge for passage, which was £160 from Southampton to Hongkong. "W. S. Wetmore," in the *N. C. Daily News*.

(To be continued.)

FOOCHOW.

His Excellency the Viceroy left for the usual tour of inspection yesterday. The wheat crop is stated to have been greatly damaged on account of the constant heavy rain that has fallen for the last forty days. Though on every side we hear of nothing but bad prospects for the coming tea season, the tea box makers seem to be already actively preparing different sizes of boxes for the fragrant plant. Very few tea manufacturers in the country are making any preparation for the coming season—in fact, P. King is the only district where repairing and preparation is general in the tea houses. It is stated that more than half of last year's tea men will be "laid up" for want of means and credit. It is to be hoped the Clerk of the Weather will soon change the rains he has so unmercifully allowed to continue for so long a period—about five weeks—and give us at least one week of bright sunshine, as an eternal debt is not only far from healthy, but is depriving the community of all outdoor exercise and many native workmen of their custom and earnings. The real cause of trouble amongst the Tea Guild members, reported in our last issue, was, we understand, the present agreement of "credit" which it is the wish of a large majority of the members to do away with. This is the chief subject to be discussed upon the arrival of the tea, and the members, if possible, all the members, and they also want, if possible, to cancel all the old agreements entered into between the guild and foreign houses. We hear that the Emperor of China, at the request of the Viceroy and the Tartar General at Fochow, has conferred upon Mr. Geo. Phillips, H.B.M.'s Consul at this port, the Star and Ribbon of the First Division of the Third Class of the Double Dragon, which Mr. Phillips has courteously declined to accept, as the rules and regulations of the Consular Service do not, for the slender service rendered, admit of his doing so.—*Echo*.

KOREA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)
SEOUL, March 20th, 1890.
It is now known that Kim Kar Jin, late Korean Chargé d'Affaires to Tokio, Chun Yong Mok, and Kim Ha Goo, were the place intermediaries in the matter of getting the King to issue the startling Royal decree of the 14th inst., which ran thus:—"General Le Gendre is this day appointed Vice-President of my Home Office." The approval of the Corps Diplomatique has neither been asked for nor received in connection with this appointment. This independent move on the part of Korea is stated on good authority to be the outcome of Russian, American, and Japanese intrigues, and it certainly constitutes an act of bold defiance on the part of Korea. It is, as far as that country can make it, so at present, a complete renunciation of those ties of vassalage to which China has clung with more or less tenacity for many centuries. General Le Gendre is an American citizen. He served with the Japanese in their Formosan and other campaigns, and came to Korea in December 1884, in advance of the Japanese army, which came up to occupy this capital just after the outbreak and subsequent bloody massacres in which Kim O Kiun bounded out his sufficient rebels to the commitment of the deed at that time, which caused such excitement at that time. Min Yong Mok, (father of Min Yong Hui, who is now in your Colony) then President of the Foreign Office, was amongst the nobles expected to have been slain by Kim O Kiun himself. It was to support the agitators who acted as the willing instruments of Kim, that the Japanese army—in which this same General Le Gendre was a commander—arrived, and practically occupied the capital of Korea. Now, seeing that Le Gendre's name is indelibly written on official records of those who arrived in Korea at the time of the 1884 and Chinese and anti-British outbreak, it is likely that the Japanese army, which was to support the agitators who acted as the willing instruments of Kim, that the Japanese army—in which this same General Le Gendre was a commander—arrived, and practically occupied the capital of Korea. Now, seeing that Le Gendre's name is indelibly written on official records of those who arrived in Korea at the time of the 1884 and Chinese and anti-British outbreak, it is likely that the Japanese army, which was to support the agitators who acted as the willing instruments of Kim, that the Japanese army—in which this same General Le Gendre was a commander—arrived, and practically occupied the capital of Korea.

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Hongkong, 9th April, 1890.

I enclose you the original of a letter addressed by Judge O. N. Denny to Hoon—a palace go-between. It shows how reluctant the King has been to pay his Adviser's salary. From month to month it hung fire, possibly in the hope that the learned judge would throw up the sponge. The note and account were probably written hastily, so you should not be too severe in your criticisms of style, orthography, calligraphy etc. Don't publish all the chit-chat, one should be enough, as follows:—
Hoon Chut—(Ten) days ago you wrote me that thirty-three thousand taels had been deposited in the Hongkong Bank at Shanghai to my credit by Kew Choo Yung, and asking me to tell you to see if it was not so. I did as you requested and last night the Bank replied that nothing had been deposited. Do not undertake to fool me again as my patience has now been entirely exhausted by bad treatment over the payment of my salary.
Sincerely yours, O. N. Denny.

December 25th.
Please send me five dollars and eighty cents, the cost of the telegram to Shanghai, and three dollars and fifty cents from here, or nine dollars and thirty cents for the two telegrams.
A few days ago the Government paid Denny thirty-three thousand taels, and is now looking round to see what it has got for this trifling sum of money. In course of time they may discover some return in the shape of a neat little legacy from the Judge, who is sure to remember the King in his old age. Well, now we've paid Denny and are just looking Le Gendre's wages due for services rendered during the past! We are also watching with interest the movements of the new Adviser, and as soon as he issues a budget, particulars will be sent you without delay.

Today's Advertisements.

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Captain Pocock, will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 11th inst., at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1890. [573]

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Hongkong, 9th April, 1890. [574]

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CARDIFF COAL, in lots to suit purchasers at \$12 per Ton.
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THE S-booner "MONTIARA,"
Length.....75 feet,
Beam.....18
Depth of hold.....7½
Registered tonnage.....75 tons.
(Owing to recent alterations the carrying capacity of the *Montiara* has been increased to about 120 tons; dead weight.)
The *Montiara* was built in Singapore, and is most solidly constructed of teak throughout, with iron-wood frames. She has recently been thoroughly overhauled under experienced European superintendence, fastened throughout with 7 inch galvanized spikes, and newly re-coppered. She is lashed with the best canvas sails. Draft of water 7 feet.
For further particulars apply to R. FRASER-SMITH, of Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1890.

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CAPITAL 1,440,000 FRANCS.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
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In HANOI, at the Company's Head Office, from the 7th April, 1890.
In HONGKONG, at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, from the 25th April to the 10th May, 1890.
R. DE ST. MATURIN, Managing Director. [576]

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ARE cordially invited to call and inspect our choice collection of Japanese and Chinese FINE ART CURIOS, which is unequalled in Japan.
Every article guaranteed as represented. No trouble to show goods. One price only.
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CARBOLINEUM AVENARIUS, (REGISTERED).
AN ANTISEPTIC PAINT for the Preservation of Wood, Walls, Ropes and Ship's Tackle. May be applied to Beams, Floors, Wainscoting, Wooden Ornamentations, Eaves, Roofs, Wooden Sheds, Farmers' and Gardeners' Implements, Carts, Posts, Fences, Stables, Gates, Bridges, Boats, and all Timber underground. Effectually excludes all dampness from walls painted with it and entirely prevents the crumbling away and decay of both stone and bricks. While ants do not touch wood painted with Carbolineum Avenarius.
Used during the last 14 years with the utmost success, as proved by numerous Testimonials of living authorities.
Sold in casks of about 450 lbs. net. Price 8 cents per lb.
For further particulars, apply to SCHEELE & Co., Sole Agents, No. 10, Stanley Street. Hongkong, 2nd December, 1889. [536]

THE NEW EAST BORNEO PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED. (Hongkong).
Capital \$400,000 Divided into 40,000 Shares of \$10 each of which 20,000 A shares fully paid up to be paid to the Vendors the East Borneo Planting Company, Limited, as the consideration for the Melapi Estate taken over as a going concern and 20,000 B shares to be offered for subscription.
Terms \$3 on application and the balance at call as required. Not more than \$2 to be called up at any one time and one month's notice to be given of a call.
The B shares to be entitled, for 5 years from the Registration of the Company, to a cumulative preferential dividend of 7 per cent. per annum on the amount for the time being paid up on such shares. The A shares to be entitled to a dividend at the like rate after such payment and the residue of profits to be divided between the A and B shares on the amounts paid up respectively on such shares or to be carried to reserve or otherwise dealt with as the directors shall determine.
DIRECTORS.
Bendyshe Layton, Hongkong. Henry Liston Dalrymple, Hongkong. Edward Ellis Abrahamson, British North Borneo. Alfred Parker Stokes, Hongkong.
BANKERS.
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation
SOLICITORS.
Johnson, Stokes & Master.
OFFICE.
Gibb Livingston & Co., Hongkong.

ABRIDGED PROSPECTUS.
THE objects of the Company are to acquire the property and take over the business of the East Borneo Planting Company, Limited, as a going concern, and to plant and grow tobacco, pepper, &c., on their Estate (called the Melapi Estate) consisting of 100-2 selected acres of land on the now well known Kinabatangan River, British North Borneo.
The East Borneo Planting Company, Limited commenced clearing in the Autumn of 1888, and have been working their Estate to the present time. The result of the working for the year 1889 has been a crop of tobacco of the required quality as regards both size and texture of leaf, and samples have been valued by experts in London at 2/6 to 3/- per lb. and reported on in Amsterdam as of excellent quality, but the Capital of the Company has been found insufficient for the requirements of the enterprise. It has therefore been determined that the East Borneo Planting Company, Limited, shall be reconstituted, and the present Company has been formed for the purpose.
The Capital of the East Borneo Planting Company, Limited, is \$200,000, divided into 4,000 shares of \$50 each fully paid up, and the consideration to be paid to the Shareholders in that Company is the same amount in 20,000 fully paid up shares in the present Company. The remaining 20,000 shares to be offered for subscription in terms of this prospectus and to be available for the further development of the Estate.
The work which has been done on the Estate is as follows: A Manager's house and Assistants house have been built, also coole sheds and drying and fermenting sheds. Roads have been cut, drains made and jungle cleared for planting 150 fields for 1890. There is also a Pepper Plantation on which between \$4,000 to \$5,000 has been expended and the prospects of which are good. The whole is in full working order, there is an ample supply of Chinese labour.
The cash balance of the old Company and the proceeds of the Sale of the 1889 crop, which goes to Europe about May next being taken over as part of the assets, the Directors have good reason to believe that there will be nearly sufficient funds to work the crop of 1890 and that in any event it will not cost the present Company more than \$30,000. This crop, with the present organised labour force, may reasonably be expected to yield from 6 to 8 piculs a field, or an estimated value of \$100,000 to field. In good years the average yield per field may be considerably higher. The Rasau Estate British North Borneo has produced 10 piculs a field.
The results to be obtained from the first year's working of this Company with 18 months labour already done on the Estate may be reasonably expected to be as follows:—
150 fields @ say 7 piculs a field = 1,050 piculs or 140,000 lbs. @ 2/6 per lb. = \$113,513.58
Deduct for charges, shipping &c., (liberal estimate) \$10,000
Deduct for working a/c. 30,000
\$73,513.58
Showing on first year's working of this Company a profit of over \$70,000.
Forms of application to be obtained from the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation. The subscription list will close on the 9th April, 1890.
Hongkong, and April, 1890. [545]

THE BELLIOS TRUSTEES will hold an examination in December next in the following subjects:—
FOR GIRLS LEARNING ONLY CHINESE.
1.—Composition (a letter to be written in the Chinese character).
2.—Translation from the Chinese character into colloquial, (using either the romanized or the Chinese character).
3.—Arithmetic (up to and inclusive of vulgar and decimal fractions).
FOR GIRLS GETTING A EUROPEAN EDUCATION.
1.—English Composition.
2.—Physical Geography.
3.—English History from the reign of Queen Elizabeth.
FOR BOYS.
1.—English Composition.
2.—Algebra (including quadratic equations) and mensuration.
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Conditions of examination will be as in former years. Date and place of examination will be announced early in November. Amount and value of prizes will be specified at the same time.
For the Trustees, JNO. J. FRANCIS. Hongkong, 9th April, 1890. [577]

Auctions.
PUBLIC AUCTION OF SILK MERCERY, HABERDASHERY, &c.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW, the 10th April, 1890, commencing at 2.30 p.m. sharp, at his Sale-Rooms, Duddell Street. A further portion of the STOCK-IN-TRADE OF MESSRS. GATE & Co., comprising:—
SILK HOSIERY, KID GLOVES, LACES, CORSETS, SASH and other SILK RIBBONS, and a great variety of Ladies' Outfits, HABERDASHERY, &c. &c.
The above articles will be on view on Wednesday, the 9th inst. P.M.
TERMS OF SALE:—Cash on delivery.
G. R. LAMMERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 8th April, 1890. [572]

Masonic.
ST. JOHN LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 618, S.C.
A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, on FRIDAY, the 11th inst., at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
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Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI.
THE Steamship
"AMOGU,"
Captain Th. Lehmann, will be despatched for the above Port, TO-MORROW, the 10th inst., at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1890.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
THE Steamship
"MOGUL,"
Captain Johnson, will be despatched for the above Ports, on or about the 9th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1890.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND ADELAIDE.
(Calling at Port Darwin and Queensland Ports, and taking through cargo to New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)
THE Steamship
"CATERTHUN,"
Captain Darke, will be despatched for the above Ports, on MONDAY, the 14th inst., at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1890.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, HODEIDAH, MASSAWAH, SUAKIM, JEDDAH, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, TRIESTE, AND VENICE, (taking cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, and ADRIATIC PORTS.)
THE Company's Steamship
"ORION,"
will be despatched as above, on FRIDAY, the 18th inst., at Noon.
Cargo will not be received on board after 5 P.M. prior to date of sailing.
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1890.

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR NEW YORK.
THE 3½ L. I. British Ship
"PATAGONIA,"
Hibbert, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1890.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
THE 3½ L. I. American Ship
"WILLIAM H. MACY,"
Ambery, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1890.

FOR NEW YORK.
THE 3½ L. I. British Ship
"JOSEPH H. SCAMMELL,"
Thomson, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1890.

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, CANADA, THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,
VIA
THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY
AND OTHER CONNECTING RAILWAY LINES & STEAMERS.

THE British Steamship
"ABYSSINIA,"
3,651 Tons Register, Captain Lee, will be despatched for VANCOUVER, B.C., NAGASAKI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 24th April, at Noon.
To be followed by the S.S. "PARTHIA" on the 15th May and S.S. "BATAVIA" on the 15th June.
Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports, and at Vancouver with Pacific Coast Points, by the regular Steamers of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company and other Steamers.
Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.
First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To Vancouver and Victoria (Mex.) \$210.00
To Montreal, New York, &c. 250.00
To Liverpool 335.00
To London 330.00
To other European Ports at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.
Passengers by this line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.
Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.
Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.
C. D. HARMAN, Agent.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1890.

Mails.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

ON SUNDAY, the 13th day of April, 1890, at 10 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PREUSSEN," Captain C. Pohle, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE & CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at GENOA. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on Board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels not to be sent on Board after 12 noon. (Parcels are not to be sent on Board after 12 noon.) Contents and Value of Packages are required. The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess. For further Particulars, apply to
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THE U. S. Mail Steamship
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To San Francisco, and return, 393.75
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To other European Ports at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.
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Hongkong, 5th April, 1890.

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Polyhymnia	Hamburg	April 9th	Siemssen & Co.
Kutsang	Calcutta	April 10th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Oceanic	Marseilles	April 11th	Messageries Maritimes
Orion	Trieste	April 12th	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
Benlarig	London	April 12th	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Thames	Glasgow	April 14th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Kweijang	Vancouver	April 13th	Butterfield & Swire
Abyssinia	Vancouver	April 16th	Adamson, Bell & Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Djemnah	Messageries Maritimes	April 16th, at noon.
Bremen, via Ports of Call.	Preussen	Melchers & Co.	April 13th, at 10 a.m.
Venice, via Straits, &c.	Orion	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	April 18th, at noon.
Havre & Hamburg, &c.	Hellona	Siemssen & Co.	April 16th, at 10 a.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via N. &c.	Abyssinia	Adamson, Bell & Co.	April 24th, at noon.
San Francisco, via Ythama	Belgie	O. & O. S. S. Co.	April 29th, at 1 p.m.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c.	China	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	April 17th, at 1 p.m.
Straits and London	Catterthun	Russell & Co.	April 14th, at 4 p.m.
Singapore, Batavia, &c.	Anchises	Butterfield & Swire	April 13th.
Nagasaki, Kobe, &c.	Devonhurst	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About April 14th.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Mogul	Adamson, Bell & Co.	About April 9th.
Shanghai, &c.	Telemachus	Butterfield & Swire	April 11th.
Pakhoi, Haiphong, &c.	Amoy	Siemssen & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
Haiphong, &c.	Archives	Messageries Maritimes	April 12th, at 3 p.m.
Swatow	Marie	A. S. Marty	To-morrow, daylight.
Coast Ports	Piccola	Melchers & Co.	To-morrow, at 8 a.m.
	Namba	Douglas LaPrairie & Co.	April 11th, daylight.

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